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Monthly Summary for Dec 1 - Jan 3

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Oklahoma experienced some of the worst weather of the year in December. The heaviest rain was in the East Central and Southeast districts. According to the Mesonet, flooding was the main concern across eastern Oklahoma and freezing rain left more than 200,000 without power. Numerous tornado warnings were issued in the central and eastern areas and large hail was also reported. Record rainfall in December has left the state drought free, compared with last year when 62 percent of the state was in the moderate drought category or worse. Precipitation averaged 6.05 inches across the state, ranging from 1.60 of an inch in the Panhandle district to inches in the Southeast district. Statewide temperatures averaged in the mid 40's, with the lowest recording of 0 degrees at Kenton on Thursday, December 17th and the highest recording of 80 degrees at Waurika on Friday, December 11th. Topsoil and subsoil moisture conditions were rated mostly adequate to short.

Soil Moisture Conditions by Percent

For Month Ending January 3, 2016					
Moisture Rating	Current Week	One Year Ago			
Topsoil		_			
Very Short	0	9			
Short	1	28			
Adequate	59	60			
Surplus	40	3			
Subsoil					
Very Short	1	21			
Short	8	45			
Adequate	75	33			
Surplus	16	1			

Small Grains: Oats planted reached 68 percent, up 12 points from the previous year and up 9 points from normal. Oats emerged reached 64 percent, up 13 points from the previous year and up 9 points from normal.

Row Crops: Soybeans harvested reached 92 percent, up 6 points from the previous year and up 2 points from normal.

Crop Conditions by Percent

For Month Ending January 3, 2016						
Commodity	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent	
Wheat	0	1	22	65	12	
Rye	0	2	35	51	12	
Oats	0	1	24	66	9	
Canola	0	0	34	54	12	
Livestock	0	3	32	59	6	
Pasture and Range	2	13	49	35	1	

Pasture and Livestock: Conditions of pasture and range were rated at 84 percent good to fair. Livestock condition was rated at 91 percent good to fair.

Crop Progress by Percent For Month Ending January 3, 2016

Crop	Stage	Current Week	One Year Ago	Five Year Average
Wheat	Grazed	39	35	N/A
Rye	Grazed	24	70	64
Oats	Grazed	64	51	55

Weather for Month Ending January 3, 2016: Temperatures ranged from 0 degrees at Kenton on Thursday, December 17th to 80 degrees at Waurika on Friday, December 11th. Precipitation ranged from 1.60 inches in the Panhandle district to 13.16 inches in the Southeast district. Soil temperature averages ranged from 32 degrees at Kenton on Wednesday, December 30th to 62 degrees at Clayton on Saturday, December 12th.

Mesonet Temperature and Precipitation Data For Month Ending January 3, 2016								
	Temperature		Precipitation					
Districts	High Low				Sept 1, 2015 to January 3, 2016			
		Average	Current Week	Total	Departure from Normal	Percent of Normal		
	Degrees	Degrees	Degrees	Inches	Inches	Inches	Percent	
Panhandle	50	26	37	1.60	7.92	2.81	155	
North Central	53	30	41	2.66	9.77	0.85	110	
Northeast	56	33	44	8.57	20.33	6.45	146	
West Central	54	31	42	2.38	10.10	1.67	120	
Central	57	33	45	4.77	16.00	3.91	132	
East Central	59	36	47	12.39	27.64	11.25	169	
Southwest	56	33	44	2.49	11.88	2.44	126	
South Central	60	36	48	6.43	23.15	9.29	167	
Southeast	62	37	49	13.16	32.67	14.46	179	